



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, UNITED STATES ARMY GARRISON, JAPAN
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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

COMMAND POLICY

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30 September 2003

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: U S Army Garrison, Japan (USAG-J) Environmental Policy

1. REFERENCES:

- a. Executive Order 13148 – Greening the Government through Leadership in Environmental Management, 22 Apr 00.
- b. Memorandum, Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management, Department of the Army, subject: New Installation Management Requirements, 6 Aug 01.

2. PURPOSE: To incorporate elements of the International Organization for Standardization 14001 Environmental Management System (EMS) into the existing installation management structure.

3. ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY:

- a. USAG-J strives to be a leader in environmental, energy, and natural resources stewardship as an integral part of our mission. In addition, USAG-J will develop and manage environmental programs necessary to meet its responsibility to protect the natural environment and human health.
- b. In accordance with DOD 4715.5-G, the Japan Environmental Governing Standards (JEGS) is the sole source document for environmental compliance, requirements, regulations, and standards for DOD activities and installations in Japan. As such, all unit commanders and activity managers will follow the JEGS requirements. They must consider possible environmental impacts of their operations and activities through pre-planning and document these considerations.
- c. All activities associated with USAG-J facilities will take initiatives to prevent pollution. They will minimize releases of pollutants to the air, water, earth, or its inhabitants. They will minimize the creation of waste through efficient use of materials, effective inventory management, and careful planning. They will also dispose of waste through safe and responsible methods.

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d. It is the responsibility of unit and activity commanders/managers to ensure that personnel have the required training (through the Environmental Compliance Officers program) to accomplish their mission requirements within the environmental guidelines.

e. Any planned action(s) that may impact the environment must be brought to the attention of the Environmental, Natural, and Cultural Resources Division (ENCRD), Directorate of Public Works (DPW), USAG-J to assess that impact.

4. APPLICABILITY:

a. This environmental policy applies to all military personnel, civilian employees, master labor contract (MLC) employees, indirect hire agreement (IHA) personnel, tenants, and contractors utilizing USAG-J facilities.

b. Dissemination of this policy will be provided through e-mail, Torii newspaper, and Channel 12 slides. This policy will be available to the public upon written request.

5. I, along with USAG-J management and employees, am fully committed to the continual improvement of our EMS and the implementation of this policy through each organization. Environmental stewardship is the responsibility of every member of the work force as well as tenants and residents.

6. The point of contact for this action is Chief, ENCRD, DPW, USAG-J at 263-3138.

7. EXPIRATION: This command policy will remain in effect until superseded or rescinded.

“ORIGINAL SIGNED BY”
GARLAND H. WILLIAMS
COL, EN
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